

A TERRIFIC RAIN STORM

Norfolk Visited by Heavy Down-pour, Accompanied by Hail.

NORFOLK AND SOUTHERN

Revival of Old Rumors in Connection With This Road. Woman Drowned.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., May 9.—Following the warmest day of the year, a terrific rain-storm swept over this section this evening. The immense benefit the rain would have done the crops is curtailed to some extent by a heavy fall of hail, which is reported to have seriously damaged strawberries and early vegetables.

A WOMAN DROWNED. A mule attached to a wagon containing three women and a child became frightened while crossing a bridge over Lynx River in Princess Anne, and turned the occupants of the cart into the water.

Mrs. Kate Dorman, twenty-six years old, was drowned by being kicked by the mule, which had also fallen overboard. The other three in the party were saved.

NORFOLK AND SOUTHERN.

Following the meeting to-morrow of the stockholders of the Norfolk and Southern Railway some well informed persons expect an announcement that will determine the future of the several divisions of the road and confirm the recent publication concerning the plan of the Chesapeake Transit Company, now in control of the road, relative to the disposition of part of the valuable property of the line absorbed.

With the approach of this meeting comes a revival of the rumor that the Transit Company will retain only the Virginia Beach branch of the Norfolk and Southern, with which it has been in competition, and will dispose of the North Carolina divisions, for which it has no use, to the Suffolk and Carolina Railway.

TUNIS LUMBER COMPANY.

The mills of the Tunis Lumber Company, under the direction of the receivers appointed by Judge Waddell, will begin operations to-morrow. One of the receivers said this morning that he thinks the outlook for the company very promising, and he believed that within a comparatively short time the company would be on its feet again. If the company makes good under the guidance of the receivers, it will go back into the hands of the stockholders, which virtually means the Tunis interests, and not into the hands of the Wiley-Harker and Camp Company, when the receivers give it up.

UNITED STATES COURT.

Large Number of Cases Disposed of at Abingdon.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ABINGDON, VA., May 9.—The spring term of the United States Court, which began here Tuesday last, Judge Henry C. McDowell, district judge, presiding, closed Saturday night, having disposed of quite an amount of criminal business, beginning with a docket of eighty-two cases, and ending with a docket of cases continued to next term, consisting of twenty-nine cases. The district attorney, Mr. Thomas Lee Moore, seems to have been indefatigable in getting his cases ready, and Judge McDowell, who has exhibited marked capacity for the bench, has thus been aided in an unusual amount of business in the short space of five days. The illness of and absence of Mr. Stuart F. Lindsey, the federal clerk, was, of course, sorely felt, and his restoration to health prior to the next term of the court has been the desire of all who are acquainted with his business capacity and official efficiency.

Of the 16 indictments disposed of at this term twelve were continued without process, their whereabouts being as yet unknown; three were returned, and one process ordered for their arrest; forty-four pleas guilty and were sentenced to fines of \$100 and thirty days imprisonment; five were tried before jury and acquitted; seven were tried before jury and were sentenced to fines of \$100 and thirty days imprisonment; the United States order of the large numbers in attendance was a marked feature of the court.

Robert Cassidy, for robbery of the Tazewell postoffice, was given two years in the penitentiary; Alex. Ayers, John C. Beckner and John J. Gwynn, all of Carroll county, were given respectively one year in the penitentiary for a second violation of the internal revenue laws. Vince Shrader, of Tazewell county, charged with robbery of the postoffice at Pocahontas, was permitted to have his case continued and to go to Roanoke jail, with permission to give security bond for his appearance here at the next term in the sum of \$1,000.

Judgments were given on three distilleries in considerable sums.

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VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION

They Will Meet This Season at the Blue Ridge Springs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, VA., May 9.—The executive committee of the Virginia Press Association met here this afternoon and decided to hold the State convention at Blue Ridge Springs on July 12th. The committee found some trouble about getting transportation from other roads. The meeting would have been held here, but the hotels would not give satisfactory rates.

THE ODD-FELLOWS.

Delegates to the Grand Lodge Visit Home Outside City.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, VA., May 9.—The annual session of the Grand Lodge of Odd-Fellows and Rebekah Assembly of Virginia will begin here to-morrow. This afternoon the delegates visited the Odd-Fellows' Home just outside the city, a special train carried the visitors to the Home.

The exercises at the Home consisted of a duet by Misses Mary Robinson and Louise Kasey and solos by Mrs. John M. Oley and Mr. D. T. Walker, prayer by Rev. A. N. Ferryman, pastor of Bethesda Presbyterian Church; addresses by Mr. Hill Montague, Grand Master of Virginia, and Grand Sir J. B. Goodwin.

To-night an informal reception was given at Odd-Fellows' Hall in honor of the Grand Sir.

The meeting of the Grand Lodge will begin to-morrow morning.

ARCHER LINKOUS KILLED DURING A STORM

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHRISTIANBURG, VA., May 9.—During a heavy electrical storm, which visited this section to-day, Archer Linkous was struck by lightning and instantly killed. He and his brother were plowing together in a corn field, when the storm came up, he being some yards behind when the fatal bolt struck him, which caused his brother to look back to see the horse falling, and when he reached his brother was dead. The young man was a son of Mr. Floyd Linkous, a respectable farmer, who lives about four miles from here, and was eighteen years old. The horse was badly shocked, but not killed.

GOVERNOR MONTAGUE MAKES INFORMAL VISIT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DANVILLE, VA., May 9.—Gov. Montague reached his home this afternoon from Richmond. He came unheralded, and carried his grip to the street car, which he rode to the Hotel Burton. Arriving at the hotel, he told the big grip up to the counter and registered as though he were the humblest citizen in the State.

He was tendered informal receptions both at the station and at the hotel, where he met a large number of friends and former associates.

Stovall for Congress.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DANVILLE, VA., May 9.—A persistent rumor has it here that J. B. Stovall, deputy internal revenue collector of this city, is slated to oppose Congressman Swanson for re-election this fall. Mr. Stovall was seen this afternoon by The Times-Dispatch representative, but he refused to confirm or deny the report.

DIVERSION IN SIGHT

Senator Martin Thinks the Appomattox Improvement an Assured Enterprise.

MACHINERY FOR RUSSIA

The First Baptist Church to Make Extensive Improvements.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) PETERSBURG, VA., May 9.—Senator Thomas S. Martin has just written Captain Carter R. Bishop, in this city, that he does not think it possible that anything will now interfere with the prompt execution of the work on the Appomattox Improvement. The Atlantic Dredging Company, of Philadelphia, were the lowest bidders for the work, and their bid has been approved and sent on to the department for ratification. There are no other details to interfere with the beginning of the work, as soon as the contract with the Atlantic Dredging Company has been closed.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENT.

The First Baptist Church in this city are to make extensive improvements to their already plain but handsome auditorium. The exterior is also to be beautified, and this part of the work is in charge of the ladies of the church.

The baptistry, which is now just behind the pulpit, is to be removed to the left of the pulpit, with the bottom on a level with the bottom of the pulpit, so that all persons in the congregation can easily see the minister and the candidate when the sacred rite is performed. The front of the baptistry will be covered with glass, the rear of the pulpit, in the position now occupied by the pool, the organ will be placed, and the choir will then face the audience from a position immediately behind and on a level with the speaker.

Contributions ranging from \$500 down have been made for this work, exclusive of the money raised for painting the exterior of the building. When the work is completed this will be one of the handsomest auditoriums in the State.

ELECTION ORK.

The commissioners will have done faithful and rapid work indeed if they have their books ready by the hour for voting next Thursday morning. Their task of transferring the voters is much more difficult and tedious than any one would have thought it would be, but they are working hard, and it is no great obstacle delays they hope to have their books ready for the judges by Thursday.

The politicians did not have their usual amount of work to do this spring. The amount of work to do this spring was less than in previous years, and the population from nearly 2,000 to a little more than 1,000. A hard working politician said to-day that it was much easier to see the number of voters, and that he had completed his work, whereas on previous occasions he had not finished when the day for the primary came. The vote is likely to be a very small one. The interest of course, will center around the contest of the candidates for Mayor. Dr. John M. Pleasant, the ex-Mayor, is opposing the present Mayor, W. M. Jones, and each is confident of victory. The contest has been along friendly lines, and in many cases it is hard for the voters to make a decision between the candidates. So much is this true that many will not go to the polls at all.

VERDICT IN NEW YORK.

Mr. Emmett T. Cox, of Bermuda Hundred, who is well known in Petersburg, has just secured a verdict in the Supreme court of New York against George W. Spear, of New York city. The verdict was secured in a suit in which Cox charged Spear with having cheated him out of his trotting horse, Coney, 2:05, by Judge Cox, and his winnings in the grand circuit races in 1901. The judgment gives Mr. Cox the horse and costs, and the power to arrest. Mr. Cox was represented by Messrs. John S. and Henry Wise.

FOREIGN SHIPMENT.

The Titus Foundry, of this city, has just made two shipments of machinery which they had manufactured under contract to St. John, Newfoundland, and the other to Russia. This firm is one of the most enterprising concerns in Petersburg.

The Baptist Sunday School Association of Ettrick and Matocua carried out a splendid programme of instruction and refreshment at the Ettrick Hotel, yesterday afternoon. Professor R. E. Gaines, of Richmond College, delivered the address.

Ex-Congressman F. R. Lassiter, who has been ill for six weeks, is now much improved.

Mr. W. H. L. Neils, of this city, who has been ill, is now much improved. He has been undergoing treatment at the Home for the Sick, and is so much improved that he will be taken home from this institution this week.

The twenty-first anniversary of the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute began yesterday afternoon, when Rev. Dr. D. J. Saunders, of Charleston, S. C., preached a sermon before the student body. All commencement exercises proper will be held Thursday, the 12th.

The Surry Lumber Company and Surry, Sussex and Southampton Railway Company met at a meeting at Depdron, Va., to elect officers and transact other business.

Mrs. F. B. Tillery and Miss Emma Tillery, of Manchester, have returned after a pleasant visit to friends in this city.

The representatives from the Petersburg lodges to the Grand Lodge of Odd-Fellows left for Lynchburg this afternoon.

The programme rendered last night at Market Street Church by the orphans was an exceptionally meritorious one. A collection was raised for the benefit of the orphan asylum.

AN OLD IDEA

Shown to Be Absolutely False by Modern Science.

People used to think that baldness was one of those things which are handed down from generation to generation, from father to son—just like a family heirloom. Science has shown the fallacy of this belief by proving that baldness itself is not a constitutional disease, but the result of a germ invasion of which only Herpicide can effectually rid the scalp.

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PROMINENT FAMILY DEEPLY STRICKEN

The Third Member Dies Within a Week and Mother Desperately Ill.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FRONT ROYAL, VA., May 9.—George H. Bowman, the only son of Mr. George H. Bowman, died this morning at his home, The Oaks, of congestive chills, aged twenty-four years. Mr. Bowman was the only surviving child of three, his sisters, Mrs. H. H. Sherman and Mrs. M. J. Fulton, having preceded him to the grave only two weeks, they having died within twenty-four hours of each other.

For the past few years Mr. Bowman had been residing with his sister, Mrs. Sherman, in Baltimore, and when called home by the illness of Mrs. Fulton had just recovered from a case of malarial fever, and shortly after the death of his sister, was stricken with chills. He is survived by his mother and father. His mother has been since the death of her daughter in a very critical condition, and slight hope of her recovery is entertained.

ACCOMAC COURT.

Brickhouse Indicted for the Murder of Adair.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) OXANCOCK, VA., May 9.—The Circuit Court for Accomac adjourned Saturday night. Several indictments were found. Among them was one against W. W. Brickhouse for the murder of Edgar P. Adair.

George G. Allworth, of Accomac Court-house, secured the necessary number of signatures of voters, and was granted license to sell liquor, the only one so far issued in the county. Effort is now making to prevent the signing of petitions for this purpose. A number of ministers have taken action in the matter, and the anti-saloon league proposes to publish a list of names that may appear upon them.

In this town the Council asked the white voters to express their wish, and at an election the vote was about two to one against license; consequently no recommendation for license was made.

In Northampton the only saloons licensed are in Cape Charles.

Sweet potato sprouts were set out in large quantities during the week. The conditions were favorable, except that rain was needed.

The race card of the Tazewell fair for August 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th has been issued. The prizes aggregate \$3,000. Entries close August 1st at 11 P. M.

Among the deaths of the past few days are Mr. William Hodges, aged eighty-two years; Mr. Edward T. White, seventy-six; and Mrs. Margaret Gladling, seventy-seven.

A handsome choir chamber has been added to the Atlantic Baptist Church, and a new organ purchased. Work on the new Episcopal church at Bell Haven will soon begin.

Mr. Edgar Sydenstricker, principal of the Onancock high school, has been awarded a scholarship in the graduate department of the Chicago University.

Considerable dissatisfaction was expressed for some time with the telephone service of the county, and a meeting at Accomac Court-house, over which Mr. A. J. Littleton presided, adopted resolutions looking to the establishment of a new line. The proposed company secured a charter at the recent session of the Legislature, and will be under local management.

Citizens of Worcester county, Maryland, have completed the organization of their produce exchange, with Mr. W. C. Bromley business manager and W. C. Cullen, formerly chief clerk of the Eastern Shore Produce Exchange, secretary and treasurer. They propose to operate along the lines now used in the exchange here, and in harmony with it.

BIG COCKING MAIN.

Harrisonburg Birds Win Six Out of Ten Contests From Richmond

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STAUNTON, VA., May 9.—One of the biggest chicken fights which has ever taken place in this section of the country was pulled off in a barn near Burkettown Saturday evening. It is said that there were ten fights between birds owned by Richmond and Harrisonburg sports. It is understood that there are large sums of money at stake, and many going down from Staunton, as well as many of the sporting fraternity of Richmond and Harrisonburg, and that right much money was wagered.

As cock fighting is unlawful, nothing at all can be ascertained about the matter; but it is understood that the Harrisonburg birds won six out of the ten fights. More than seventy-five people went down from Staunton.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

A German Found in Dying Condition Near the Track.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 9.—A German, who was employed on the double tracking of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, near Summit, five miles below this city, was found by the side of the railroad, just below this city late Saturday night, in a dying condition. He was brought here and taken to the Mary Washington Hospital, where he died Sunday morning, and was buried to-day in the city cemetery.

He had been here Saturday and left late that night to walk to the camp, late that night a switch he attempted to jump a moving freight train and met with the accident which caused his death. A coroner's inquest rendered a verdict to that effect.

WITTING—BARNES.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, VA., May 9.—Mr. R. L. Witting, physical instructor of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Norfolk, and daughter of Mr. P. R. Barnes, were married at Trinity Church to-day afternoon. Jackson Davis was best man, and Mrs. J. D. Hopkins, sister of the bride, acted as maid of honor. The couple left for Buffalo.

MISSOURI COMING TO NEWPORT NEWS

Mrs. Cowles at the Warwick Hotel to Greet Her Husband.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEWPORT NEWS, VA., May 9.—Mrs. W. N. Cowles, wife of Captain Cowles, of the battleship Missouri, and sister to President Roosevelt, arrived here to-day, and is registered at the Warwick Hotel.

The Missouri is expected to arrive to-night or to-morrow. She will go into dry dock for repairs to the turret which was injured by the recent explosion of powder.

SUICIDE RATHER THAN CONSUMPTION

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA., May 9.—After making two unsuccessful attempts to end his life by shooting his brains out, Fred. Prescott, aged seventeen, a cigar maker in Wortenbaker's factory, this city, was taken this afternoon to his home in Manassas. The young man's great dread of consumption is believed to have temporarily unbalanced his mind. He had stated many times to his friends that his mother died of consumption, and that he knew he, too, would succumb to the disease.

License Taxes.

Collector Cunningham urges all who have not secured their licenses, due on May 1st, to do so at once. He is compiling his list of delinquents, which, under the laws, he must report to Justice Crutcher.

All who do not get their licenses are subject to a fine of from \$1 to \$20 for every day in which they do business after May 1st.

Druids' Officers.

The officers of Virginia Grove of Druids were installed last night at their hall, No. 60 West Broad Street.

Liberal Grove's officers will be installed on the night of the 12th, and Richmond Druids will go to Old Dominion Grove, Newport News, on the 16th, and Cockade City Grove, Petersburg, on the 18th, to assist in the installation of the officers.

Dwyer's Last Appearance.

Professor Dwyer will, in his match with Grant and Rebecke at the Academy to-morrow night, appear in Richmond for the last time.

He feels that in the handicap match with two such good players as Grant and Rebecke he has his hands full, but thinks he can win. The other two think otherwise.

Wedding Cards.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Olive Quarles Mitchell, a popular young school teacher of Fairmount, and Mr. Russell Gentry, also of Fairmount, the ceremony to take place May 12, 1904, at No. 207 Fairmount Avenue.

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